House File 2195 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act permitting the operation of motor vehicles with tinted
- windshields and windows for health reasons.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 321.438, subsection 2, Code 2016, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- A person shall not operate on the highway a motor
- 4 vehicle equipped with a front windshield, a side window to
- 5 the immediate right or left of the driver, or a side-wing
- 6 forward of and to the left or right of the driver which is
- 7 excessively dark or reflective so that it is difficult for a
- 8 person outside the motor vehicle to see into the motor vehicle
- 9 through the windshield, window, or sidewing. The department
- 10 shall adopt rules establishing a minimum measurable standard
- 11 of transparency which shall apply to violations of this
- 12 subsection. This subsection shall not apply if the person
- 13 possesses in the motor vehicle a signed document from the
- 14 person's physician licensed under chapter 148 or optometrist
- 15 licensed under chapter 154, written on the physician's or
- 16 optometrist's stationary, stating that the dark or reflective
- 17 windshield, window, or sidewing is necessary for the person's
- 18 health.
- 19 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 22 Under current law, a person is prohibited from operating a
- 23 motor vehicle equipped with an excessively dark or reflective
- 24 windshield, window, or sidewing. A violation of this
- 25 prohibition is punishable by a scheduled fine of \$50. This
- 26 bill provides that the prohibition against operating a motor
- 27 vehicle with an excessively dark or reflective windshield,
- 28 window, or sidewing does not apply if the person possesses in
- 29 the motor vehicle a signed document from the person's physician
- 30 or optometrist, written on the physician's or optometrist's
- 31 stationary, stating that the dark or reflective windshield,
- 32 window, or sidewing is necessary for the person's health.